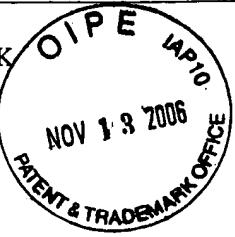


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In response to the Final Office Action mailed on September 11, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this document.

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